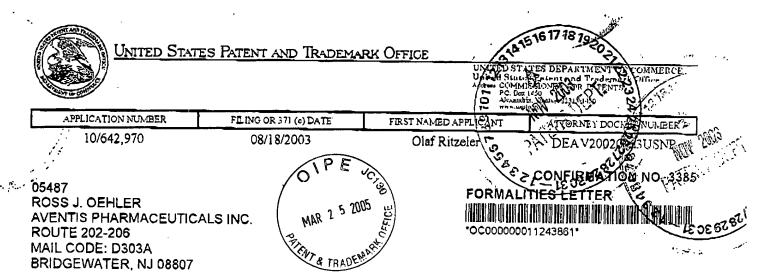
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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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Application No.: 10/642,970

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A Power of Attorney by two authorized Signatories of Aventis Pharma Deutschland GmbH, Assignee of full rights and title to the above-identified application, is also enclosed.

Please charge the \$130.00 fee involved to Deposit Account No. 18-1982. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required by this paper, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 18-1982. Two duplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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